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Congressman Padgett Will Speak at Gordonsville Oct. 26

3 WRECKS ON CARTHAGE BRANCH IN ONE WEEK

The third wreck on the T. C. Railroad during the past week occurred near Bluff Creek station last Tuesday afternoon as the train was making its regular run to the junction. Almost the entire train got off the track and as there were steep embankments on either side a serious wreck came near happening. Fortunately, however, none of the many passengers on the train was seriously hurt.

On Tuesday of last week two wrecks occurred on the branch line, one in the forenoon and the other in the afternoon. Information is given out by parties who witnessed the wrecks that the accidents were the results of rotten ties. For some time there has been a general complaint that the tracks of the Carthage branch were in a poor condition and it is dangerous to pull trains over them. This is a very serious matter and some sort of steps should be taken that would warrant more safety to the public traveling over this road.

John Baskette Bridges Dead

John Baskette Bridges, born in Carthage, son of T. P. Bridges, Jr., died of typhoid fever at the home of his parents near Murfreesboro early Saturday morning. He had been attending school at Bell Buckle when just a few days before his death, he and a schoolmate came home to spend the weekend. Before leaving the school, he had complained and was examined by a specialist, but nothing serious was thought to be the matter, but immediately on returning home, he took his bed. Drs. Haggard and Witt of Nashville were called and with the local physicians did all that could be done, but to no avail. John Baskette was about 15 or 16 years old and a most lovable boy and was a fine prospect for a good man, and was popular with all people with whom he came in contact. He visited Dixon Springs and Carthage in the summer of 1915 and we remember him as a lover of sports and especially as he fond of horses, and while attending our fair, was awarded a premium for excellence in equestrianism. His friends, Howard, John and William Jordan of Dixon Springs, attended the funeral. Everyone who knows Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Bridges, Jr. and Miss Florence Bridges, his sister, and his young brothers extend to them their most heartfelt sympathy in this, their great loss.

Revs. Orion Lynch and J. L. Smotherman attended the session of the Methodist conference at Mt. Pleasant last week and report a very pleasant visit. W. O. Folks, was assigned to the Carthage circuit, is now attending school and will not be in charge of his work here until some time in December. In the meantime the appointment on the circuit will be filled by Revs. Lynch and Hinson. Rev. Lynch says that the new pastor for this circuit, who is heralded as a splendid young preacher, is unmarried but that he will have become a benedict by the time he arrives in Carthage and that he and his bride will occupy the parsonage.

The kind of mules that grow you money are the Illinois and Missouri mules. A lead will be sold in Dixon Springs Saturday, Oct. 21st. Come.

SMITH COUNTY TEACHERS' MEETING ON OCTOBER 28TH

Following is the program for the Smith county teachers' meeting which will be held in Carthage, Saturday, Oct. 28th:

Domestic Science for small schools, Misses Trousdale and Adcock.

Twenty model questions on Burgoyne's surrender at Saratoga Thos. Perry.

Twenty model questions on the battle of Gettysburg, W. S. Wood.

Devices for conserving time in one-teacher schools, Miss Kate Moore.

Improved methods in one-teacher schools, Miss Lucy Williams.

Teaching reading to young pupils, Miss Lula Eord.

Music in the school, W. W. Heckman.

Cultivation of the memory, Albert Williams.

Program for an eight-grade one-teacher school, T. H. Standford.

Examinations and certificates, E. L. Huffines.

The meeting will be called to order at 10 o'clock a. m. Some teachers have not the attendance of a single meeting, and not even the Children's Fair, to their credit so far this year. Do not continue this way and then think hard of me if I discourage your employment another year.

Truly yours,
E. L. HUFFINES.

SMITH COUNTY BOY HAS GOOD POSITION IN FLORIDA

Mr. William N. Garrett of Dixon Springs has accepted the principalship of the commercial department in Ruth Hargrove Institute at Key West, Fla. This is a large school and employs 20 teachers. The school was fortunate to secure Mr. Garrett's services and Mr. Garrett writes a friend that he is pleased with his position.

Willford-Swindle.

L. F. Willford and Miss Pearl Swindle were married last Sunday on the Carthage bridge by Esq. J. B. Chapman. The bride is the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Swindle of Carthage R. 2. Mr. Willford is a barber and has lived in Carthage during the past year. He is originally from Kentucky but made his home in Indianapolis, Indiana, for five or six years prior to his removal to Carthage. He is a young man of splendid habits and during his stay here has made many friends who congratulate him.

Chas. P. Hanley Falls

Charles P. Hanley, formerly of Dixon Springs but now a resident of Nashville, while doing some carpentering work recently suffered a broken hip caused by the scaffolding on which he was at work falling. His condition is thought to be satisfactory. He has instituted an action for damages against the party to whose carelessness the fall was thought to have been caused.

Fair Stockholders to Meet.

The stockholders of the Carthage Fair Association are called to meet in Carthage on Saturday, Oct. 28th. It is desired that every stockholder be present at this meeting. Remember the date, Saturday, Oct. 28th.

Democrats of this section will be delighted to know that they will soon have the opportunity of hearing the Hon. L. P. Padgett of Columbia, Congressman from the Seventh District, who is touring the state in behalf of the Democratic tickets, State and National.

Mr. Padgett will speak in Gordonsville on Thursday night, Oct. 26, at 7:30 o'clock.

He has been on the stump since the campaign began. His fame as a campaigner has gone abroad before him. It is reported at State Democratic Headquarters that his campaign has been a complete success. "I heard Mr. Padgett the other

day" wrote a prominent lawyer, "and I want to say it was the best denocratic speech I have heard in 10 years." Another wrote that it was the best he ever heard.

Mr. Padgett is chairman of the committee on Naval Affairs in the House. He had a great deal to do with the naval preparedness bill. He is an intimate friend of Woodrow Wilson and the National Democratic leaders. He is logical and is a convincing speaker, and is warmly in sympathy with democratic progress in the state and nation.

Don't miss the opportunity of hearing Mr. Padgett at Gordonsville Thursday night, Oct. 26th.

Congressman Cordell Hull Has Returned to Speak For the Ticket

Hon. Cordell Hull, congressman from the 4th congressional district, has returned from Washington and is now busily engaged in making speeches throughout his district in the interest of the democratic ticket. He began his campaign at Dayton last Monday and will continue to make speeches until the day of the election.

Appointments have been made for him to address the voters at Jamestown, Oct. 19; Byrdstown, Oct. 20; Livingston, Oct. 21; Celina, Oct. 23; Gainesboro, Oct. 24; Hartsville, Oct. 26; and Oct.

27th and 28th at points in Sumner county. He will make speeches in every county in the district during the present campaign.

Since the adjournment of congress Judge Hull has been in Washington and New York doing campaign work for the National Democratic Executive Committee, of which he is a member from Tennessee. Mr. Hull speaks encouragingly of the outlook for a Democratic victory this year and has no fear that President Wilson will not be re-elected.

Social and Personal Notes

Miss Estella M. Welty of the Carthage High School spent Friday and Saturday in Nashville and Lebanon.

Miss Sallie Squires, who was taken to Nashville several days ago for an operation for appendicitis, has returned home. The many friends of Miss Squires will be pleased to learn that she is improving nicely and will soon be able to be out again.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Hewitt, who have been spending several weeks up the river, where Mr. Hewitt has been engaged in pearling, have returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Webb and children returned Monday from a few days' visit in Nashville.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ford of Elmwood were in Carthage Monday.

T. B. Read, who is in a Nashville hospital undergoing treatment for a complication of troubles, is improving nicely.

Mrs. Dan Smith who underwent an operation at St. Thomas Hospital in Nashville last week, is reported to be improving nicely.

Miss Lucile Hale of the Elmwood High School spent the weekend with her father, H. M. Hale.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ellis returned Tuesday from Tusculum, Texas, on account of Mrs. Ellis' health. They are at present with their son-in-law Joe Bryant.

Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Donoho were in Nashville last week with their little daughter, Geraldine, who underwent a slight operation for throat trouble. The operation was successful and the young lady is now able to be in school again.

A large delegation of people from Carthage planned to attend the William Jennings Bryan

speaking at Nashville last night, but on account of the failure of the Carthage branch to make its regular run yesterday morning they were unable to make the trip.

Julian Fisher spent Sunday in Nashville with Mrs. Fisher who is the guest of relatives there for several days.

G. G. Denney, merchant at Hickman, spent the weekend as the guest of L. B. Blackburn and family on Carthage Rte. 2.

Dr. H. P. Cartwright of Bowling Green, Ky., was here Monday as the guest of Sam Nixon of Carthage R. 1. Dr. Cartwright was a former Smith countian but for the past twenty five years has been practicing medicine at Bowling Green.

T. J. Highers has bought the property of L. R. Wade in the Southeast end of Carthage and has moved his family there. Mr. Highers has made several improvements on the dwelling.

Mrs. G. W. Warman returned Tuesday night from Nashville where she has been to see her daughter-in-law, Mrs. J. H. Warman, who has been ill for the past several days.

Miss Ruth Bell is in Nashville with friends and relatives.

Miss Josie McGinness was in Nashville last Thursday.

Mrs. J. M. Gardenhire has returned from Magnolia, Miss., where she spent five weeks with her mother, Mrs. A. S. Smith who is critically ill. She was accompanied by her little niece, Elizabeth Ludwig, of Hopkinsville Ky.

Miss Allie Mai McGinness is visiting relatives and friends in Nashville.

Be sure to attend the young mule sale at Dixon Springs, Saturday, Oct. 21st.

Ed Malone has gone to Detroit Michigan.

METHODIST CONFERENCE MAKES CHANGES IN LEBANON DISTRICT

The old Jerusalem Conference of the M. E. Church South which has been in session at Mt. Pleasant during the past week came to a close last Monday morning. In this, the Lebanon District, changes in a number of charges were made, however, to the satisfaction of all the church workers. Rev. H. B. Blue was returned as Presiding Elder.

The assignment of the ministers in this immediate vicinity were as follows: Carthage circuit, W. C. Folks, J. B. Jordan, supernumerary; Chestnut Mound circuit, J. L. Smotherman; Dyess circuit, Elisha Henry, supply; Gainesboro Mission, O. P. Gentry; Gordonsville circuit, Fred B. Cox; Granville circuit, Elijah Robinson; Rome Mission, W. M. Martin; Alexandria and Watertown, T. H. Gilbert; Lebanon station, John Durrett, T. H. Hinson, supernumerary; Cookeville station, R. J. Craig.

A general report of the conference showed a church membership of 79,167, and increase of 3,872 during the past year. There were 3,981 adults baptized and 691 infants. There was \$11,226 spent by the conference for education during the past year.

Gallatin was selected as the meeting place for the conference next year.

GOLD WATCH LOST 25 YEARS AGO, FOUND

Mr. James L. Cato, now deceased, in his lifetime twenty-five years ago, lost a gold watch while working in a field on his farm near Rome. A few days ago, his nephew, Robert Cato, in going through the same field which was cultivated in corn this year, found the watch lying on top of the ground in seemingly as good condition, except the hinges to the lid were rusty and crystal and hands broken, as it was the day it was lost. The watch belonged to Mrs. J. L. Cato who is now Mrs. John Stalker of Hartsville.

Successful Revival at Monoville.

The annual October revival meeting which is being held at Monoville Baptist church this week by the pastor, Rev. A. P. Moore, is progressing nicely and much interest is being manifested. Rev. Moore is being assisted by Mr. Carl M. Cambron, an accomplished musician and singer. The organ in the church has been temporarily removed and a piano substituted, and Mr. Cambron and his choir of 40 or 50 people are adding greatly to the success of the meeting. In spite of the unfavorable weather, large audiences have been attending the services and Rev. Moore is preaching some powerful and inspiring sermons.

C. D. WILLIAMS & CO. SELL TO J. B. GWALTNEY

C. D. Williams & Co. have sold their implement business at Hickman to John B. Gwaltney. Mr. Gwaltney is one of Smith county's most successful farmers. He is a high toned gentleman and no one predicts anything but success for him in his new undertaking. Mr. Gwaltney solicits the patronage of his many friends. He will strive at all times to give his customers their money's worth.

CARPENTER FARM OWNER'S SCORE SUCCESS AT FAIRS

In addition to ribbons won by W. H. and Joe Carpenter's fine stock at the two fairs in this county the fine individuals and herds triumphed over all competition at three of the biggest fairs held in the south this year, and has given the New Middleton Stock Farm of New Middleton, Tenn., owned by W. H. Carpenter, a reputation second to none. Joe Carpenter in charge of this fine string of stock with specialties of Jersey cattle and Berkshire hogs, began the Campaign at Rome and Carthage fairs, where he won many premiums. At the state fair at Nashville the Carpenter Berkshires hogs won more first premiums than all other breeders combined, winning all the first premiums in the fullest rings. The most notable victory, probably, was in the junior gilt ring, where he came out with the blue over 30 worthy competitors. The Jersey cattle was equally successful.

At the Tri-State Fair at Memphis where competition was fierce Mr. Carpenter's hogs and cattle continued to score, deserving and winning blue bibbons. From Memphis he journeyed to Knoxville and made entries in the East Tennessee Division Fair, winning every first premium, championship and grand championship on Berkshires. Also a number of firsts, seconds and thirds on Jersey cattle.

The Carpenters entries won 21 premiums at Nashville, 24 at Memphis and 31 at Knoxville. For the season 1916 Mr. Carpenter has made 139 shows of his stock and has won 135 premiums. This is indeed a fine showing and every Smith countian feels a pride in it.

Preaching Announcement

Rev. Orin Lynch announces that he will preach at Mt. Olivet, next Sunday, Oct. 22nd; at Horseshoe Bend on the fifth Sunday; and at Paynes Bend on first Sunday in November. All the above appointments will be filled at 11 o'clock.

Tom Thomas Dead

Friends throughout the county of the Thomas family will regret to learn of the death of Tom Thomas which occurred last Friday night, October 13, 1916, at a hospital in Nashville. The remains were shipped to Hickman the following day and laid to rest in the Thomas grave yard at Hickman Sunday in the presence of many friends and relatives. Mr. Thomas lived near Gordonsville and was one of that section's best citizens. He is of a prominent family and the bereaved ones have the sympathy of a large circle of friends.

Auto Accident

An automobile driven by Chas. Timberlake and a young man named Smith from Buffalo Valley became unmanageable near New Middleton Wednesday morning and crashed into a fence. Neither of the occupants were badly hurt although Mr. Smith was painfully cut and bruised. The automobile was badly damaged.

Hearn & Jones will sell 40 extra good weanlings, one and two-year-old mare mares at auction in Dixon Springs Saturday, Oct. 21st. These are a choice lot of Illinois mules.